

Mayincatec Empire(Ezcalli)

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Also known as Ezcalli, 12A, or Earth 1519,

A common feature of alternate histories where the point-of-divergence is far enough back is that a Mayincatec civilization has somehow survived to the present day, and now rules a large chunk of the Americas. Here they have all been merged, flushing out a world that is usually only glimpsed.

Generally done as a throwaway "Look how different this world is" detail, without any serious or detailed consideration of how it happened or what the geopolitical effects were. (Possibly correlated with alternate worlds where the technology level never got high enough for zeppelins.)

Incidentally, in Real Life, there are pockets of Maya, Aztec and Inca who still practice their old traditions — while the ruling class were deposed, not all of the peasants were completely assimilated. The Maya culture survived in the largest numbers, in part due to its highly decentralized nature when the Conquistadors arrived — unlike with the Aztec and Inca empires, there wasn't any centralized rulership to subdue or major infrastructure to collapse.

History

The ancient aliens Evroniani landed in the Americas a few thousand years ago and began teaching science to the natives, with the end result including both the Aztec and the Incan Empires surviving to the present day and controlling, respectively, Central and South America(*Paperinik New Adventures*).

Jesus Christ was killed as an infant by Herod's troops during the Massacre of the Innocents After his death, Jesus persuaded his Father to give humanity another chance and send a new savior to them, so God left the only child not slain by Herod's troops at Mary and Joseph's doorstep to raise as their own. The boy's

name is lost to history, and everyone simply knows him as the Redeemer, the Step-Son of God. Instead of Jesus' many miracles (walking on water, turning water into wine, making more fish, etc.), the Redeemer is given just one: the Word, a semi-magical power that allows him to put anything he desires into another dimension known as the Cold and retrieve it at a later time. He uses this power to prove his divinity and ascend to the throne of The Roman Empire.

The Redeemer's decision to become the Roman emperor led to all but one of his original twelve disciples (who are strongly suggested to have been the familiar Twelve Apostles, because the only one ironically remembered as loyal was Judas Iscariot) abandoning him. They were almost immediately replaced by eleven Roman legionnaires who witnessed the first ever use of the Redeemer's Word; interestingly, the twelfth witness (named Marcus) refused to join the rest, saying that he doesn't see God, only the next Emperor. Also, the Sister (probably Mary Magdalene), who is said to have been able to truly forgive anything, never forgave Redeemer for this, leading to the very first schism of The Church.

The Redeemer chose to confine himself to Hell because of the realization that the moment he stepped onto the Roman throne, he *failed* the mission he was given by God. Thus, the Step-Son of God couldn't become the Son of God, who refused the temptation of worldly power and died horribly, only to *truly* redeem humanity. Ironically, the popular view of him was exactly the opposite.

This world had two Churches based in Rome instead of one. They are slightly different denominations but are both ruled by the Step-Son of God (the Pope). The Church of the Redeemer is more about punishing the wicked, while the Church of the Sister (one of the Redeemer's disciples) is about redemption for those who have strayed.

The Roman Empire was persuaded to invade Germania rather than Britain.

At the forging of the Peace of Roman Emperor Charlemagne (the Pax Nicephori in the real world), the various hidden magical races of the world decided to make their existence openly known to humanity, also joining in the peace treaty.

By the early 7th century, magic still works, Rome never fell, and Christianity never appeared. (*Oath of Empire*). Since Rome never fell, many European cities still retain their original Roman names: Budapest is Aquincum (despite the presence of the Buda, Óbuda, and Pest districts), London is Londinium, Paris (the capital of the State) is Lutetia. On a national level, Israel is still called Judea. Also, a number of European languages are called differently: Latin is called Ruritanian,

Hungarian is called Magyar, Turkish is called Ottoman, Spanish is called Iberian, French is called Gallic, and Hebrew is called Judeic. This world's version of the Holy See is located in Urbis ("city" in Latin), which is, presumably, Vatican. Strangely, this is averted with Vienna (Roman name - Vindobona) and Lyon (Roman name - Lugdunum), which are called as we know them.

Dryads, trolls, dwarves, etc. live among humanity, magic co-exists side-by-side with technology. The Industrial Revolution caused a magical revolution, as spells became mass-produced for the first time in human history(*Arrowsmith*).

The Roman Empire sent colonists to South America with firearms in the 10th century. Then, a volcanic eruption causes bad harvests which weakened Rome to the point that the colonists were left to fend for themselves and intermingle with Amazonian natives.

The Aztecs invaded Europe in the 13th Century in what became known as the "Sunset Invasion". They are seen as Europe's equivalent to the Mongol invasion(*Europa Universalis Mod*)

Japanese exiles fleeing a successful Mongol invasion of the islands, settled in America and introduce horses and steel to the New World, eventually leading to the formation and dominance of the Nippon-Méxica empire, which would later reach Space.

China went fully colonialist during the Ming dynasty and colonized the Americas from the west, allying with the Aztecs against the Europeans.

The Aztecs, having crossed the Atlantic before Christopher Columbus's original Timeline arrival, then proceeded to conquer Africa and nearly all of Europe with their Steampunk army.

1405- Temur's army chooses to attack the Franks and Romans in western Europe, rather than China. A scout party, including Bold and Psin, finding eastern Europe decimated by plague, killing 99% of the population. They returned to the Mongol camp, and as Temur prepared to kill Bold and Psin in punishment, his tent was struck by lightning, killing him. Bold wandered south through Greece and was picked up by slave traders. He was sold to another trader and then to Zheng He's fleet.

1405-1407-Zheng He's treasure fleet completed its voyage and returns to China.

1406-Zhu Di, the Yongle Emperor, began constructing a new capital at Beijing.

1424-The Yongle Emperor dies and is succeeded by his son, the Hongxi.

The Tlaxcala apparently took over a large number of territory due to them being more willing to adopt European technology and warfare than their Aztec enemies. Christopher Columbus led another Crusade instead of going to the Americas, resulting in Europe being in no shape to resist an invasion from overseas, especially in the wake of the plague.

The Mayans got magical advance notice of the coming of the Spanish, enabling them to preserve a fair degree of autonomy as a Spanish ally and protectorate. The Incas had the same technological boost as the Aztecs and have invented gunpowder ahead of both the Aztecs and the Europeans, which they used in a "titanic" war with the Aztecs. When the Spanish arrived on the Aztec shores, they were waiting with machine guns(*Tom Strong*) advanced technology, magic and giant robots by aliens to act as their "champions". Cortez, instead of conquering the Aztecs, married an Aztec woman and switched sides, giving the Aztecs advanced technology that would aid them in their conquests. The Aztecs also formed their own nation.

1571-Akbar, Emperor of the Mughals, constructs his capital of Fatepur Sikri.

1573-Akbar's forces defeat insurgents at Ahmadabad, bringing Gujarat back to his empire. Bistami's caravan passes through the Maghrib to Europe.

1579-Sultan Mawji Darya of Baraka is killed.

1597-Japanese general Toyotomi Hideyoshi makes his second attempt to conquer China through Hun Chiu. A joint Chinese-Hun Chiu force repels him, bankrupting the Wanli's treasury.

1600-Yoshi Torunaga defeats rival shoguns at the Battle of Sekigahara and unites Japan under his rule.

1605-The Gunpowder Plot was successful, resulting in the British Isles becoming a part of the State.

1610-A Chinese expedition, led by General Kheim, sets off to conquer Japan.

1610-1611-The Kheim expedition, blown off course, splits in two, with some ships rowing back to China and the rest sailing to the American continents, meeting the Miwok and Inca.

1611-The three remaining Great Ships of Kheim's fleet return to China, laden with Inca gold.

After 1611-Peng, a member of Kheim's expedition, remains behind with a Miwok woman. They wander east across the continent, stumbling on the Council of the Five Nations in our upstate New York. Daganoweda helps the Five Nations form their league-based system of government; Peng shows them how to use scabs to prevent disease.

1641-Samarqandi inventor Khalid attempts to deceive the khan and has his hand cut off in punishment by Abdul Aziz Khan. He recovers and, with his partners Iwang and Bahram, contributes to the flowering of another renaissance in Samarqand. The speed of sound is successfully measured, and Iwang discovers the law of gravitation.

1644-The Manchus conquer much of China and take over the throne in Beijing. Around this time, plague sweeps through Samarqand, killing many inhabitants. We might also assume that this is when China begins raiding the Inka lands for their gold.

1720-1740-Around this time, Japanese ronin Busho, also known as Fromwest, wanders eastward across the North American continent (Yingzhou) and becomes a Hodenosaunee chief. He warns the Hodenosaunee of the Chinese and Islamic invaders on either side of the continent.

1722-1735-Chinese armies successfully conquer Japan.

1740-Japanese emigrants to Yingzhou, fleeing their Chinese conquerors, settle on the west coast and join forces with the native population.

1776-Widow Kang Tongbi marries visiting scholar Ibrahim ibn Hasam; they move together to Lanzhou in western China.

1777-The Jahriyas revolt in Gansu. Kang contributes to Ibrahim's "Mohammad Meets Confucius", "Commentary on the Doctrine of the Great Cycle of History", and other works. Ibrahim in turn contributes to Kang's "Treatise on the History of the Women of Hunan".

1778-Flooding in Lanzhou. Later this year, a child is born to Kang and Ibrahim.

The Azteca help the American colonies defeat the British and establish the United States of Columbia.

1794-Ibrahim and Kang publish the "Reconciliation of the Philosophies of Lu Zhi and Ma Mingxin". Probably around this time or somewhat later, Ibrahim writes "Wealth and the Four Great Inequalities".

The Aztecs expanded and started fighting the North American plains Indians(*The Bison Riders*). In the 1800's, In North America, it took the united talents of Napoléon Bonaparte, the Duke of Wellington and Simon Suggs to repel their invasion. The Incas also gained control of most of North America(mainly Canada). This resulted in the Amerindian Civilizations uniting. They were aided by Europe's remaining population.

An Aztec empire (with a thin veneer of Spanishness)existed in the place of Mexico, and all the Spanish names in the southwestern United States are in English (the protagonist lives in Angels City; St. Ferdinand's Valley; and so on...)

1826-The Janissary corps, an army in the Ottoman Empire, revolts against the sultan, and many members are executed. (In our world, the sultan who suppresses them is Mahmud II; here it is Selim III.)

1828-Travancore forces led by the Kerala invade Konstantiyye, forcing Sultan Selim III to retreat to Europe. His doctor, Ismail ibn-Mani al-Dir, is requested by the Indian conquerors to report to Travancore.

The Tenocha Empire is formed, (a heavy updating of the Aztec Empire in 1840).

1841-The Kerala is assassinated.

Inspired by Chinese travellers to the New World, the Inca expand eastwards, discover Roman remnants and go on an eastwards journey of conquest until they return to the Pacific, intending to take over the entire planet.

The Mayincatec Empire were unable to conquer Africa due to Africans banding together in a similar manner to resist foreign occupation. A high-caste group of warrior telepaths developed their own system of hand-to-hand combat, relying on their telepathy to allow them to gain the upper hand, resulting in Martial Arts phasing out overtime.

1861-Several months of heavy rains in Fangzhang lead to flooding. Japanese secret societies there work for their homeland's independence.

1895-Muslims in southern China stage a revolt, which is quickly suppressed.

The magical community, capable of travelling through worlds, named this World 12A.

World 12A has a Britain similar to the the Edwardian Era.The Chrestomanci has representatives in some other worlds but does not know all other worlds. Indeed, In World 12A, "magic is as common as music is with us", Jones

explains(*Charmed Life, Howl's Moving Castle*)

A World War I esque conflict occurred.

1914-Another Muslim revolt in western China leads to a war between the Qing dynasty and the Muslim states in central Asia. Islamic armies invade north India and eastern Yingzhou, bringing both those lands into a world war.

1923-An earthquake strikes Edo, the seat of Japan's shogun, presumably damaging the occupying Chinese government. Japan revolts against China and gains its independence.

In the 1930's Germany and Japan, both having a worship of the sun, became very close allies. The Mayincatec Empire fought wars, including one between the Aztec and a fascist Incan Empire. Aztec architecture goes from the famous stepped pyramid look to whitewashed adobe buildings, and future buildings look no different from air Old World equivalents.

Captain Mexica became a Hero. He would be transported to an alternate Universe and be transformed into a zombie.

"Where were you when the Aztecs dropped the bomb?" with a picture of a man wearing a gas mask and colorful feathery clothing.

In 1965, a large alliance of Celtic-Germanic-Mayincatec civilizations was the most powerful in the world.

1975-Kuo, Bai, and Iwa fight in the trenches of the Gansu Corridor as the Islam-China war remains a stalemate. Muslim forces are ousted from Yingzhou in a naval battle. China's Fourth Assemblage of Military Talent resorts to increasingly desperate measures to continue fighting.

1980-The Shanghai Conference ends the Long War. Punitive reparations are imposed on the losing Muslim nations.

in the year 1990, the Aztecs (which already controlled France, Italy, Spain and Serbia in Europe), invaded Great Britain and managed to conquer it.

The Aztec's formed the expansionist interdimensional "Aztech" Empire(*Tom Strong*)

By 2000, The Roman Empire has never collapsed and now controls most of Europe and has colonies in Africa and the Americas, although it is now called simply "the State". The other powers in the world are the Russian Khanate (Russia never throwing off the Mongol yoke), the Chinese Empire (the most

advanced nation in the world), the Ottoman Empire (by far the weakest), and the Aztec Empire. The worldwide deficit of iron makes it the monetary standard, while gold is treated as a pretty trinket. Science and technology have stalled at roughly medieval levels, although certain aspects of The Renaissance and the Industrial Revolution are present. A number of people (mostly nobility) know the Word, although it is a much weaker version of the Original Word that the Redeemer knew, and use it to keep all their treasures safe from thieves.

Arnold Shwarzenagger is a huge trigger happy Austrian man that is an officer of the Guard, determined to hunt down a teenage boy.

Count Antoine(De Saint Exupery) of Lyon is a retired glider pilot who writes poetry in his spare time and has plenty of old stories he can share, including one where his glider crashes in the desert.

Bishop Gerard Lightbringer(G rard Depardieu).

2002-A scientific conference is held in Isfahan, Iran, where scholars and historians exhibit the range of human knowledge; much is learned about the current state of the world. Idelba's discoveries regarding atomic fission are revealed to the scientific community.

Xuya is one of the
three countries

making up North America in the 21st century. North America is divided between a now-independent Chinese-culture country called Xuya in the west, a surviving and much-expanded Mexica Empire in the south, and a relatively small and poor Anglo-Saxon USA based around New England and the Quebec/Ontario area.

The city of Dresediel Lex is a twin of Los Santos. Although it's not an empire so much as a Magitek version of a 21st century capitalist city-state—the old religion and its practice of Human Sacrifice were overthrown and replaced with the secular Craft discipline of magic. The pyramids have been refitted as office buildings.

By 2013, The US exists as the United Isles of America (there are 60 of them, encompassing all of North America, including Canada and Mexico, and as per the name, most of the land is underwater,) and Hun Chiu has taken over Asia and Europe. (It's called JoSeun)

There is a future Mayaintec, after a nuclear war put the USA and USSR and Europe down for the count, as the backstory.

2030-Bao Xinhua meets revolutionary Kung Jianguo; together they work to liberate China from the oppressive military government.

2034-Riots in China turn into civil war; the Fifth Assemblage of Military Talent is overthrown.

2037-The Forbidden City in Beijing is reopened to the public after four decades; philosopher Zhu Isao gives a speech as the revolutionary forces enter unopposed, but Kung Jianguo is assassinated. Bao leaves China behind to wander the world as a diplomat.

2075-Bao accepts a professorship position and moves to Fangzhang, where he teaches history and contemplates humanity.

2088-K returns to struggle towards nirvana as Bao continues his rumination and teaching.

The Inca have taken over the world and set about strip-mining the entire Solar System and colonising the galaxy. Everyone not directly involved in these projects lives on a vast cylindrical space station orbiting the Earth. The space station, by the way, required so much raw material to construct that *the Moon was entirely used up*.



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